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### \$27,000 Settlement Reached with Heavenly Valley Limited Partnership

Sacramento --- The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced it has reached a settlement with the Heavenly Valley Limited Partnership (HVLP) for improper management and handling of hazardous waste at its 3860 Saddle Road facility in South Lake Tahoe.

Under terms of a Consent Order (Order), signed on September 2, 2004, HVLP agreed to pay a total of \$27,000 of which \$26,371 was a penalty and \$629 was for reimbursement of costs incurred by DTSC. DTSC received the settlement funds on September 2, 2004. The Order formalizing the settlement is available on the DTSC website at [http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Heavenly/Heavenly\\_ENF\\_CO.pdf](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Heavenly/Heavenly_ENF_CO.pdf).

The settlement stems from violations observed by DTSC inspectors during an inspection at the facility on October 28, 2003. The violations noted were:

- Improper labeling of 16 containers of hazardous waste
- Improper management of a five-gallon container of oil and diesel-contaminated rags
- Failing to maintain the lower shop area shed to minimize the possibility of a fire or unplanned release of hazardous waste
- Offering for transport two 55-gallon drums of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)-waste fuel using a consolidated manifest procedure (only specified, non-RCRA wastes may be transported via consolidated manifesting)
- Failing to conduct a waste analysis on waste diesel/fuel, resulting in the improper accumulation and transport of this waste

HVLP has corrected all violations found during the inspection.

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**The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.**